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## REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2002, the period for response thereto having been extended one month to expire on August 24, 2002, pursuant to the Petition for Extension of Time enclosed herewith. However, since August 24, 2002, falls on a Saturday, the instant reply is being timely filed on Monday, August 26, 2002.

The Office Action notes that the amendment filed by Applicants on May 28, 2002, is considered to be non-responsive because Applicants inadvertently cancelled the elected subject matter from the claims. Therefore, the remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because the elected compound is embraced by formula 2 of claim 1.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the Examiner noticed the inadvertent amendment to the claim and for giving Applicants an opportunity to correct the record. It is Applicants' understanding that the amendment filed on May 28, 2002, has not been entered and, therefore, the amendments presented herein are based upon the claims as they were pending prior to the amendment filed on May 28, 2002.